

CHAPTER 57

S.B. No. 983

AN ACT

relating to providing certain documents and training to children in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Section 264.014, Family Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 264.014. PROVISION OF COPIES OF CERTAIN RECORDS. If, at the time a child is discharged from foster care, the child is at least 18 years of age or has had the disabilities of minority removed, the department shall provide to the child, not later than the 30th day *before* ~~[after]~~ the date the child is discharged from foster care, a copy of:

- (1) the child's birth certificate;
- (2) the child's immunization records; ~~[and]~~
- (3) the information contained in the child's health passport;
- (4) a personal identification certificate under Chapter 521, Transportation Code;
- (5) a social security card or a replacement social security card, if appropriate; and
- (6) proof of enrollment in Medicaid, if appropriate.

SECTION 2. (a) The Department of Family and Protective Services, in cooperation with the Texas Education Agency and the Department of Public Safety of the State of Texas, shall develop a plan to ensure that each child in the permanent managing conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services is provided the opportunity to complete a driver's education course and to obtain a driver's license before the child leaves conservatorship.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2010, the Department of Family and Protective Services shall report to the legislature the results of the plan under Subsection (a) of this section. The report must include cost estimates for providing the driver's education and methods for obtaining affordable liability insurance for foster children.

SECTION 3. The changes in law made by this Act to Section 264.014, Family Code, apply to any child in the conservatorship of the Department of Family and Protective Services on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

Passed the Senate on April 16, 2009: Yeas 31, Nays 0; passed the House on May 5, 2009: Yeas 144, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Approved May 19, 2009.

Effective September 1, 2009.

CHAPTER 58

S.B. No. 1071

AN ACT

relating to the required disclosure under the public information law of information pertaining to an employee or trustee of a public employee pension system.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 552, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 552.0221 to read as follows:

Sec. 552.0221. EMPLOYEE OR TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PENSION SYSTEM. (a) Information concerning the employment of an employee of a public employee pension system is public information under the terms of this chapter, including information